

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

April 13, 2004 LB 479, 983, 1065

nothing sinister in this amendment. Senator Bourne, if you're listening, there's no fuzzy math, there's no slick lawyering, there's none of that in this amendment, AM3615. It's a rewrite because of what the provisions were in LB 983, to reflect those changes in the Department of Revenue's motor vehicle tax provisions, but it doesn't change the rates, the dates, nothing. It's just harmonizing things with LB 983. So if you'd like to go through it section by section, I certainly can. If you want to look briefly at Sections 1, 2, 3, it strikes those sections because it referred to Section 4,142 in Chapter 66. It's the same thing down in those other sections that are deleted. So I'd be glad to answer any questions. I think the bigger discussion is Senator Beutler's amendment on the bill to fully fund the EPIC Fund for the four plants that are out there in production or very nearly in production. So I'd be glad to answer any questions on AM3615. I needed to do this amendment before we discuss Senator Beutler's amendment because AM3615 is drafted to the E & R amendments which is AM7228 which we have already adopted. So in order to keep this in a manageable form, we needed this amendment adopted first and then we'll discuss Senator Beutler's amendment. With that, Mr. President, I'd be glad to answer any questions if there are any. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Baker. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Beutler would move to amend Senator Baker's amendment, AM3636. (Legislative Journal page 1585.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature, it's a little early in the morning for a serious amendment but this is a serious amendment and it's going to be a long day so I might as...we might as well get started, I guess. You will recall that the last time around on LB 479, which was an ethanol bill and on LB 1065, this bill, on the earlier stages of debate, we stuck the shovel in the hole twice. Is my mike on, Mr. Lieutenant Governor?

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Yes, it is.